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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

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**32 CFR Part 144**

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**Service by Members of the Armed Forces on State and Local Juries**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This final rule removes the DoD regulation containing policy for jury service on State and local juries by active duty members of the Armed Forces. This rule is unnecessary and imposes no burden on, nor imparts any relevant knowledge on, the public. The rule contains internal DoD processes only, and is wholly contained within DoD internal guidance. Therefore, this part can be removed from the CFR.

**DATES:** This rule is effective on [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christa Specht, 703-697-3387.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This rule was originally promulgated under the direction of 10 U.S.C. 982, “Members: service on State and local juries,” to establish uniform DoD policies for active duty members summoned to serve on a State or local jury. The rule was originally finalized on December 22, 2006 (71 FR 76917). This rule is unnecessary and imposes

no burden on, nor imparts any relevant knowledge on, the public. It contains internal DoD policies only.

It has been determined that publication of this CFR part removal for public comment is impracticable, unnecessary, and contrary to public interest since it is based on removing DoD internal policies and procedures that are publicly available in DoD Instruction 5525.08, “Service by Members of the Armed Forces on State and Local Juries,” most recently updated on January 3, 2007 (available at <https://www.esd.whs.mil/Portals/54/Documents/DD/issuances/dodi/552508p.pdf>).

This rule is not significant under Executive Order (EO) 12866, “Regulatory Planning and Review.” Therefore, the requirements of EO 13771, “Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs,” do not apply. This removal supports a recommendation of the DoD Regulatory Reform Task Force.

#### **List of Subjects in 32 CFR Part 144**

Courts; Intergovernmental relations; Military personnel.

#### **PART 144—[REMOVED]**

Accordingly, by the authority of 5 U.S.C. 301, 32 CFR part 144 is removed.

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